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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN FROM SHERER

1. CSCE TEMPORARILY IN DORMANT PERIOD NOW AS NINE SLOWLY AND RELUCTANTLY FACE NEED TO MOVE TOWARD MORE REALISTIC BASKET III POSITIONS, WHICH SOVIETS CONTINUE TO STONEWALL. SOME NEUTRALS AND ALLIES ARE FLOATING COMPROMISE APPROACHES, WHILE WE CONTINUE TO PRESS NINE AND OTHER ALLIES TO DRAFT MORE REALISTIC TEXTS ON KEY BASKET III TOPICS. I BELIEVE THERE WILL BE GRADUAL MOVEMENT IN DIRECTION WE FAVOR BUT, GIVEN INTERNAL RIGIDITIES IN DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES OF NINE, I DO NOT BELIEVE OUR EFFORTS HERE CAN BRING AN EARLY BREAKTHROUGH.

2. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES I RECOMMEND THAT I RETURN TO WASHINGTON TO HELP IN FIGHT AGAINST THE LONG-GRAVEL AMENDMENT. YOU ARE IN A BETTER POSITION TO KNOW WHAT ROLE I CAN PLAY TOWARD INFLUENCING IMPORTANT SENATORS TO VOTE AGAINST THE AMENDMENT ON THE SENATE FLOOR BUT IT SEEMS TO ME I WOULD BE REMISS NOT TO DO WHAT I CAN TO DEFEAT LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD OBVIOUSLY SET BACK US-CZECH RELATIONS A VERY LONG WAY.

3. IF YOU AGREE THAT I MIGHT BE OF SOME HELP PLEASE ASK EUR/EX TO SEND ROUND-TRIP TRAVEL ORDERS GENEVA-WASHINGTON. I AM PREPARED TO LEAVE HERE IMMEDIATELY.

4. SENATOR PELL AND KEMPTON JENKINS PROBABLY CAN IDENTIFY
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SENATORS WHO ARE UNDECIDED AND MIGHT BE SUBJECT TO PERSUASION.

FOR THEIR INFORMATION SENATORS MANSFIELD, PERCY, BENTSEN,
GRIFFIN, PEARSON, DOMINICK, HASKELL, SYMINGTON, JAVITS,
TAFT, PROXMIRE AND JACKSON MAY REMEMBER ME.
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